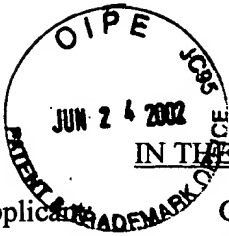


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Sir:

In a Decision Refusing Status under 37 CFR 1.47(a) dated April 17, 2002, the Supervisory Petitions Examiner dismissed Applicant's first petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed December 28, 2001. In particular, the Examiner pointed out that the Applicant failed to demonstrate that a copy of the entire application papers were sent for the nonsigning inventor's review.

Accordingly, as stated in paragraph 5 of the attached and newly executed Affidavit by Mr. Peter Reyes of Cargill Incorporated, Applicant has since sent a full and complete copy of the application papers to the inventor (Mr. Nelson) on May 13, 2002. Furthermore, Applicant has still not received a response from the inventor. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the petition in view of the corrected deficiencies.

For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicant has attached a copy of the newly executed Affidavit by Mr. Peter Reyes, dated June 14, 2002, as well as a copy of the original affidavit dated December 27, 2001.

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